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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Final Office Action of May 17, 2006. The Applicants are simultaneously filing a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR §1.114 and a Request for a 2-month extension of time. This Response is timely filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.